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DONATIONS SOUGHT FOR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

COFFEE BREAK

By Barbara Smith

Howdy Doodly Folks. The Christmas lights are up in the square at last. They certainly do contribute their part in keeping this holiday season warm and cheerful. It's hard to understand why, but those little colored bulbs seem to have a magic all their own. Perhaps they remind us of the Yuletide seasons we used to spend with our folks or maybe all the love and happiness which Christmas represents. In any event, St. Nick is certainly drawing closer and closer to our Town.

To concentrate on the order of business, however, Tuesday night the members of the Planning Board held their regular meeting, and discussed some of the events of the preceding evening. Everyone will remember that the new Zoning By law was approved at the Special Town Meeting on Nov. 28. Of course, the Board was very much encouraged to see their efforts in behalf of the town rewarded. Incidentally, John Ritchie, who held the position of Chairman of the Planning Board, tendered his resignation at the meeting Tuesday night. His reason for resigning was that his position conflicted with other pressing business.

Wednesday evening, the School Committee and Jos. Courtney took in a very interesting talk given by the National Association of retarded children. A motion picture entitled Tuesday's Child was shown, giving a very sensitive portrayal of the problems of a mentally retarded child. The film also dealt with some of the probable solutions in caring for such children. Among them were proper schooling dealing with all stages of retardation and workshops which could prepare a retarded person to earn his own living. One of the greatest crimes which many of us commit is in believing that some of these people can never lead useful lives. We would all do well to remember that this affliction strikes three out of every one-

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THE SELECTMEN MEETING

On Monday evening, Dec. 5, the Wilmington Board of Selectmen held their weekly meeting and dispatched their business in orderly fashion as follows:

An application for license was approved, giving the Charles River Breeding Laboratory permission to increase their underground tank capacity from 1500 to 4000 gallons.

An application for license was submitted by J. W. Hutchinson of Nichols St., to collect rags metals and paper in the Town of Wilmington. The item was held up pending a report from the building inspector.

Four applications for a Retail Package Store License were approved, pending further approval of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission. The four applicants appear below:

1. Melville Woodside of 997 Main St., Melrose, with a usual place of business at 432 Main St., operating under the name of the Wilmington Center Pharmacy.

2. Alan Altman, on behalf of Altman Inc., located at 411 Main St., Wilmington.

3. Harold W. Foley, whose usual place of business is 188 Main St., Wilmington, operating under the name of McManus Shamrock.

4. Frank Griffin, whose usual place of business is 1-3 Church St., Wilmington, operating under the name of the Church St. Hardware. Town Manager's Report To The Board of Selectmen

1. In accordance with Division 19, Section 1, of the Building By-Laws, the Town Manager has appointed Charles Webster as Inspector of Wires.

2. The town has received bids in regards to the acquisition of a loader and backhoe. It has pretty much decided in favor of a Trojan loader which could be rented with an option to buy. As it stands, according to bid, 97 percent of the loader rental would be applicable to the final purchase price. This would mean that the Town would be acquiring a \$15,000 piece of equipment for \$6950 when the rental is deducted.

3. According to the Building Inspector's report, permits amounting in value to \$2,477,550.00 have been issued to date.

14 Dwellings	\$150,500.
7 Garages	3,050.
2 Alterations	300.
1 Shed	2,000.
1 Barn	800.
1 Sign	100.
1 Bank Building	50,000.

Total issued in 1955 to date: \$206,750.

Total issued in 1954: 2,869,380.

Less High School 896,000.

1,973,380.

Increase in private permits over 1954 504,170.

4. Following this discussion, the Board also read a

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TEWKSBURY RESIDENT INJURED SEVERELY

On Dec. 1, at 2:05 A.M., Wilmington Police and Firemen were called to the scene of an accident on Main St. and found it to be 500 yds. over the town line in Tewksbury. An automobile driven by Robert L. Gibbons 34, of 18 Euclid St., Tewksbury, struck two telephone poles with force enough to break them. Mr. Gibbons was critically injured, and was removed to St. John's Hospital in Lowell by the Wilmington Fire Dept. ambulance driven by Fred Klynen and Ray Dewhurst. Anyone who has viewed Mr. Gibbons' car, which was towed to Gildart's Garage would agree with the findings of medical authorities upon first observation, that he could not possibly live. We contacted the family of Mr. Gibbons on Dec. 6 and find that although the process will be long and slow he is expected to recover.

METHODISTS TO APPROVE PRELIMINARY DRAWINGS FOR NEW CHURCH BUILDING, MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 8 P.M.

The members of the Wilmington Methodist Church are cordially invited to a church meeting on Monday, December 19, at 8 p.m. At this time the building planning committee and the church architect, Arland A. A. Dirlam, will present the results of many weeks of study and revision in the plans for the new church building. Mr. Dirlam will show slides of the proposed plan and answer the questions of those present.

As this is an extremely important step in the life of the church it is hoped that every family of the parish will be represented.

PROTESTANT YOUTH TO HOLD MEETING IN METHODIST CHURCH

The United Christian Youth Movement of the Wilmington Area will hold a meeting in the Wilmington Methodist Church on Sunday evening, December 11 at 7 p.m. The representative churches to group are the Forest Street Congregational Church, the So. Tewksbury Methodist Church, The Wilmington Congregational Church, and the Wilmington Methodist Church. The Rev. Wallace Reed, youth director at the Wilmington Congregational Church is advisor to this group. A cordial invitation is extended to all the youth of Wilmington to attend this meeting.

Members of the So. Tewksbury youth group are responsible for the program, and those of the Wilmington Congregational Church will lead the worship service, and the young people of the Wilmington Methodist Church will provide refreshments and plan the fellowship period.

During Operation DEEP-FREEZE, the Navy's newest Antarctic Expedition. Navy planes will take off and land at the South Pole.

THE MAYOR OF BOSTON THANKS MARY McCORMACK

CITATION
From the office of the Mayor
Boston, Massachusetts
To: Mary McCormack
125 Grove Ave.
Wilmington, Mass.
Dear Miss McCormack:
During the recent polio outbreak in our community, there was a great need for help and assistance. Fortunately, many good citizens helped to meet the need of the moment.
May I, officially and in the name of the City of Boston, express the gratitude of our city to you for your response to the call for voluntary assistance. I assure you your services were deeply appreciated.
Respectfully,
John B. Hynes, Mayor

FIREPROOF YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE

Wilmington Fire Chief Arthur Boudreau has made an urgent request of all persons connected with Christmas programs to be held in public buildings. Chief Boudreau asks that you have all Christmas trees fire-proofed. This can be done at very small cost (25c) by bringing your tree to the fire house and may prevent any measure of regret.

FIREMEN PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS

Wilmington Firemen are now engaged in a huge sale of tickets, the proceeds of which will go towards the purchase of Christmas baskets for the needy families of Wilmington. With each fifty-cent donation goes seventy great big opportunities to win, and wow those prizes! Have you got yours yet folks?

This event will be held at the fire house on Dec. 15 at 8:00 P.M. Visitors are welcome to attend.

CAR IN THE WAY

At 3:30 A.M. on Dec. 1, a car owned by Harold Creamer Jr., of Hobson Ave., was discovered to be causing a road hazard by being parked on the street near the Silver Lake Barber Shop. Officer Fuller investigated and the automobile was towed to Gildart's Garage.

WANTED—BOY SCOUTS

On Monday, Dec. 5, the meeting of a new Boy Scout Troop was held at the home of Dick Miller of 22 Hathaway Rd. Bill Stoebel is the scoutmaster, and Bud Platt assistant scoutmaster of Troop 59, which will meet every Monday from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Twelve boys were present at the first meeting. Dick Miller is chairman of the committee which includes: Charles Molniss, Oscar Ridley and Walter Smith.

Any boy interested in joining the troop is invited to contact any of these men for information.

POLICE CHIEF LYNCH THANKS DRIVERS

Police Chief Paul Lynch reported that on Safe Driving Day, December 1, there were no accidents within the boundaries of Wilmington and he would like to thank all drivers for their cooperation. Sergeant Imbimbo distributed President Eisenhower's proclamation to the schools to be read to the pupils. On Wednesday Sergeant Imbimbo was the invited guest of the Rotary Club where he presented a short speech on safe driving. On Wednesday evening he spoke on the same subject before members of the Lions Club.

DUMPS IN WRONG PLACE

On Dec. 3 police discovered that rubbish had been dumped at the town park. Investigation proved that William Van Koble of Woburn was guilty of this act and he was made to remove his donation from Wilmington. Mr. VanKoble told officers that he thought it was permissible to dump there. Officer Dolan investigated the incident.

BREAKS ARM SKATING

The skating season started early this year, due to an unusually frigid Nov. And it follows, the first skating mishap brought to our attention happened on an early date, Nov. 30. James Cosman, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Cosman, 3 Salem St., North Wilmington, broke his arm at the shoulder while skating on Cedar Swamp, in back of the Whitfield School.

BACKING OUT TROUBLE

On Friday morning Dec. 2, Ralph M. Swanson of North Gateway St., Winchester was backing out of Gildart's Garage and was struck by a truck operated by Donald Webber of Lowell. Mr. Swanson's car was towed back into the garage.

BOYS HELP THEMSELVES

The driver of a Cushman bakery truck complained to police at about 5:45 p.m. on Thursday that three boys were stealing goods from his truck while he was making house deliveries on King St. Police agreed to speak to the parents of the boys.

ALLAN MacMULLIN HOME ON LEAVE

Allan MacMullin who entered the Army six weeks ago, spent last week on leave with his family on Forest Ave. He returned on Monday to his training at Ft. Dix, New Jersey.

The Christmas lighting in Wilmington Center is being installed and will be turned on in the very near future. Mrs. Griffin chairman of this committee wishes to thank publicly all those who have already contributed to the fund and to make another appeal to those of you who are intending to offer a donation but have not yet done so. Additional funds are urgently needed and right now! Come in folks let's have Wilmington looking as festive as any surrounding towns. Donations may be left at the Church St. Hardware, Shoecrafts Tony's Donut Shop or mailed to Wilmington Christmas Lighting Committee, Box 483, Wilmington.

The following is a list of those who have already contributed: Wilmington Coal and Oil, Wilmington Grain, Ames News, Malone Real Estate, Dr. Chernoff, Dr. Fagan, Dr. Filipek, Atty Paul D. Emmons, H. E. Britt, Durkee Barber Shop, Ben Harrison, Edward Neilson, Sweezy Lumber Co., Gildart's Garage, Jos. Courtney, Charles Black, Nicholas DeFelice, Wavie Drew, John Ritchie, J. W. Greer Co., Packet Products Co., Mytron Inc., Blaisdell Trucking Co., Coombs Furniture, J. J. Cronin, Radio Towers, Ernest Sciarappa, Daisy Sciarappa, Middlesex County National Bank, M. J. Pellerin, Joseph B. McMahon, Wm. S. Cavanaugh, Joseph Balestrieri Taxi, Raymond E. Fitch, Louies Oil Service, Vendura Canelas, T. C. Daley, Thomas G. Davis, Louis T. Doucette, Eames Farm, Stevens Market, Carlings Red Cap, Chelsea Industrial Supply Co., Enterprise Brewery, Granada Wine Co., Harvard Brewery, Merrimack Electrical Supply Co., Merrimack Valley Dist. Co., Narragansett Sales Co., Phoenix Spring Beverage Co., D. J. Reardon, Stoneham Candy and Tobacco Co., Lions Club, Wilmington Women's Club, American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary and Wilmington Order of Rainbow Girls.

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JOHN BRABANT IN LOUISIANA

Fort Polk, La. — PFC John R. Brabant, son of Aristide Brabant, Washington Ave., Wilmington, is participating in the largest joint Army-Air Force maneuver since World War II, Exercise Sage Brush, in Louisiana.

Some 110,000 Army troops are testing the latest concepts of atomic, bacteriological, chemical and electronic warfare. The exercise ends Dec.

15. Brabant, a rifleman in Company B of the 82nd Airborne Division's 505th Infantry Regiment, is regularly stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. He entered the Army in September 1954.

He attended Wilmington High School.

GIFT WHIST FRIDAY

The joyous Christmas season will be launched most auspiciously next Friday evening with the St. Dorothy's church "Gift" whist.

This annual event will take place in the Parish hall, Main St. at 8:30.

Fascinating gifts will be obtainable as prizes to the winners of whist as well as those participating in the penny sale held later.

Serving on the committee are the following parishioners: Mrs. Charles Baldwin,

chairman; Mrs. Beatrice Menadier, co-chairman; Mrs. James Fleming, Mrs. Charles Englert, Mrs. Connolly, Mrs. Mary Neal, Mrs. Paul Lynch, Mrs. Edward Welling and Mrs. John McAndrew.

In addition refreshments will be served and the public is invited to attend.

PTA BOARD MEETING DEC. 14

The Executive Board of the P.T.A. met on Wednesday evening, Nov. 30 at the home of Mrs. Alan Fenton on Fairmeadow Rd. A large percentage of the School Faculty who had been invited were in attendance. Plans were made to strengthen the organization with the full cooperation of all concerned.

It was agreed that the regular meeting usually held on the third Tuesday of each month, would be cancelled for the month of Dec. because of the Christmas holidays. The January meeting for all parents and teachers will be a social. Full particulars will appear in this paper at a later date.

The next meeting of the Board will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 8 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Bob Clark, 99 Church Street. We hope that all those who had been invited to the last meeting and couldn't make it will be able to attend this time.

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CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS

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Masses at 5:45, 9:00, evening
Mass at 7:30 P.M.

Masses at Silver Lake:

7:00, and 8:00.

There will be no Sunday
school on Sundays after the
8:30 Mass in St. Mary's
Church. Religious Training
will be taught on Sat. mornings
at 9:30 at St. Dorothy's
and St. Mary's Hall.

Change of Masses at St.
Mary's:

7:00, 8:30, 10:00, and 11:15.

Notice of Activities.

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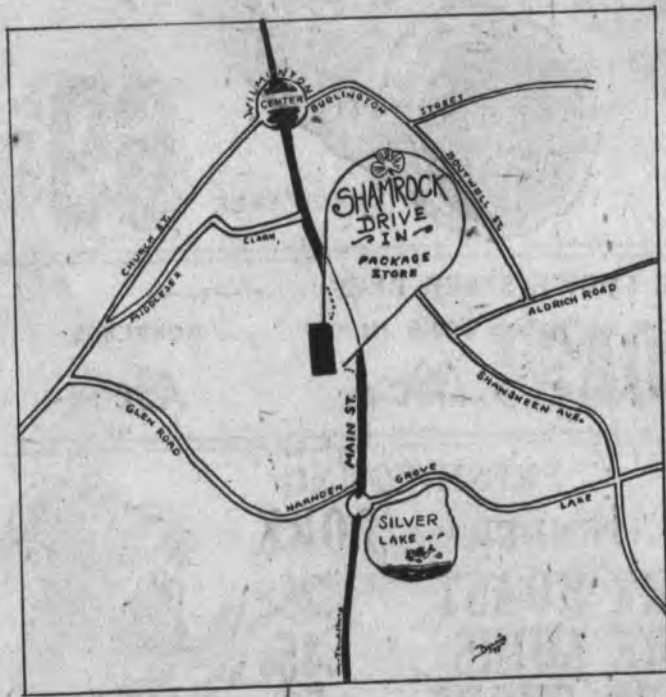
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INCIDENTALLY, AFTER THE SMOKE CLEARS AWAY, WE EXPECT TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING THAT WILL MAKE YOUR BEVERAGE SHOPPING MUCH EASIER AND MORE FUN THAN EVER BEFORE. SO . . . UNTIL THEN . . . THANKS A MILLION FOR YOUR MOST VALUED AND LOYAL PATRONAGE AND PLEASE "PARDON THE INCONVENIENCE" WHILE WE GET THE DRIVE-IN UNDER WAY.

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Suddenly, some weeks back, the solution appeared on the horizon in the form of an ideal location, only a short distance up the road, opposit Rocco's restaurant. So, last week, we picked up our stakes and shut up shop at 108 Main Street, and, last Monday, we re-opened in our new, roomier quarters at 188.

So . . . away we go! We love it. And you will, too! The Drive-In parking is **perfect**. And the ever-so-much-roomier store is ideal for BROWSING AROUND to your heart's content. Except for the new location, everything remains the same!

BROWSE SHOPPING, as usual will be the order of the day. (Poke around and buy or not, as you please. Of course, we'll always be delighted to help you make a selection, if you wish. No High Pressure stuff, though.)

AND PRICES FOR EVERY POCKET BOOK! We'll still shop around the market to pick up quality beverages that happen to be bargain priced for one reason or another. Because, we at the SHAMROCK believe that you are entitled to the opportunity to SHOP for your beverage wants just as you do for your other daily needs. And we believe that we know how to make that beverage dollar stretch and s-t-r-e-t-c-h and s-t-r-e-t-c-h!!

Well, so much for the yapping! Folks, the WELCOME MAT is out front for our host of old friends and neighbors in Wilmington, Billerica and Tewksbury. And, for those who haven't BROWSE SHOPPED our SHAMROCK WAY, "Hope we'll see you soon."

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THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING

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letter from Miss Pauline Leiter, requesting permission to attend the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at some future date. The Board heartily endorsed this request, with the provision that the meeting be held in Miss Leiter's classroom. A date was set for December the nineteenth.

5. The next request for approval was submitted by the Mass. D.P.W. for approval of the strip of road completed from the Town Dump to within 500' of Dr. Round's place.

6. Following this, a revised copy of the agreement between the Town of Wilmington and Cronin Bros. was submitted for the Board's approval. The agreement provided that "Cronin Bros. releases the Town of Wilmington", but the addition made was to the effect that "The Town of Wilmington hereby releases Cronin Bros." This correction was made in reference to the payment which Cronin Bros. is remitting to the Town of Wilmington for the gravel which they removed from the local pit.

7. The Real Estate firm of Strout and Wing has inquired as to the interest of the Town in acquiring certain land owned by Strout and Wing. The Town Manager is awaiting a formal offer to sell.

8. The Town Manager will attend the Governor's Conference on State and Local Relations as Chairman of the Panel on County Budgets and Metropolitan Planning on the 6th of Dec. at the Sheraton Plaza.

9. The Town Engineer is now surveying the streets listed in Article 22 of 1955 Town Meeting Warrant.

10. The Highway Dept. has set the Christmas Lighting poles as requested along the west side of Main St. at the Center. Mr. Pickering will connect the installation tomorrow.

11. The Water Dept. is nearing completion on the installation of the 6" main on

Suncrest Ave.

12. The Highway Dept. will regrade and shape Suncrest Ave. upon completion of the Water Dept. Project.

13. In the past week the Highway Dept. has completed or undertaken the following projects:

a. Grove Ave. drainage completed.

b. Cleaned various culverts and catch basins.

c. Patched and shaped the High School driveway at Adams St.

d. Shaped and re-traveled portions of Rollins Rd.

e. Scraped and eliminated the water hole on Chandler St.

14. The graveling of Roosevelt Rd. has not been completed. Work on this will continue.

15. Fay St. excavation and graveling will be completed within next two weeks if weather permits.

16. The oiling of Warren and Wightman Roads is scheduled for 1956. It was scraped and partially graveled last week.

17. For the remainder of 1955, the following jobs are scheduled in addition to the above:

a. Scraping of graveled streets.

b. Installation of Gross St. culvert.

c. Installation of culvert and catch basin on North St.

18. Town engineer reported that condition of the gravel pits is good.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph F. Courtney

Town Manager



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LOCAL TAX RATES JUMP \$2.39 OVER '54

BillERICA is just about the same as any other growing town, at least tax-wise, if we are to pay heed to the analysis of "Taxtalk", a publication produced by the Mass. Federation of Taxpayers' Association.

The publication said that the average tax rate of cities and towns have jumped from \$50.45 to \$52.84, an increase which falls short of increases of 1947 to 1950, but exceeds that of last year, which was \$3. Two-thirds of the cities and towns in Massachusetts increased their rates while about one-sixth decreased and one-sixth maintained last year's rate.

Highest among the towns increasing their rates was Lanesboro with an \$18 jump and Northboro with a \$14 jump. Among the towns with fixed generally low assessments, rates of \$70 are being common, with 25 towns having reached or passed this level.

The most obvious conclusion, Taxtalk says, is towns is not being met

that mounting tax levies are continuing to outstrip the slower growth in property valuations. The 351 cities and towns, in 1955, are raising \$466 million or 5 percent, above 1954. But valuations are not keeping pace.

Taxtalk reaches an amazing conclusion, amazing at least to those who support the theory that a growing population causes higher tax rate. The Federation selected 65 communities and divides them into five groups of thirteen each, based on their rate of population growth since 1950. At the top are thirteen relatively small towns, all of which have grown by more than one-third in the past five years.

The remarkable fact is that, of these growing towns, not a single one of the 1955 tax rates stood among the highest twenty-five percent of town rates in Massachusetts.

Admittedly, the Federation says, some of the costs of public improvements in these

through rates; streets and utilities in sub-divisions through private mortgage financing. But these do not affect the public financing of public services.

The only possible conclusion from these facts must be that the measurable burden of property taxes in the mushroom towns is lighter than that in the old established urban centers, and is likely to remain so.

There are probably a number of reasons for this situation, the Federation says:

1. The intrinsic value, per family, of residential property in the new towns is far above that in the old cities — providing a larger tax base.

2. The newer towns have largely within their control whether and to what extent industry and commerce shall be admitted to fatten up their tax base — also whether zoning controls shall be restrictively to minimize growth new home values.

3. While tax-supported borrowings are exceptionally heavy in the growth towns, the higher costs of debt services are greatly outweighed. Many city-style services — sewerage systems, wide and heavy street pavements, sidewalks, street lighting protection services — can be provided at lower cost in the out-

lying towns, or dispensed altogether. Welfare costs are in the growing towns with their younger and higher-income populations.

4. Our program of state financial aids to cities and towns favors smaller towns, especially as to roads and schools.

5. The newer residential communities are not yet beset by the liberal political traditions and the entrenched "civil services" trend which tend to freeze costs in the older cities and towns at higher levels.

Taxtalk says that the probabilities are that tax rates will continue to rise in the growing towns, as growth continues and the lag in public construction is caught up, but that they will not overtake the higher rates of the older cities and towns with their continuing losses of population and taxable values, their seeming inability to prune services and costs, and their own urgent needs in replacing obsolete facilities.

During the International Geophysical Year, 1957-58, various nations, including the United States and Soviet Russia, will inhabit the Antarctic for a short period to study the various phenomena of the southernmost sector of the earth.



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Cushing, Patricia
Devlin, Donald
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Hall, William
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Melzar, Lavinia
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Case No. 21590 Misc.
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LAND COURT**
(SEAL)

In Equity
To Robert A. Hanley and Mary A. Hanley, of Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth; and to all whom it may concern: Broadway Savings Bank, a duly existing corporation having an usual place of business in Lawrence, in the County of Essex and said Commonwealth, claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering real property in said Wilmington, being numbered 15 Marjorie Road, given by Robert A. Hanley and Mary A. Hanley to the plaintiff, by instrument dated October 21, 1954, recorded with Middlesex County North District Registry of Deeds, Book 1273, Page 63, has filed with said court a bill in equity for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following; by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale. If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the ninth day of January 1956, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, JOHN E. FENTON, Esquire, Judge of said Court this first day of December 1955.

SYBIL H. HOLMES,
Recorder.

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LETTERS to the EDITOR

A LETTER ABOUT THE POOR FROM BEA MCCORMACK

Dear Boss:

Social Reform in Wilmington? Let me get it a little clearer: For instance: I have been stepping out of a front yard, directly onto the road, for 14 years. No sidewalks. But I like it here. There will never be any sidewalks on our street, unless they shave the front of a few houses off. And we need our homes. There is Love, with a capital "L" in these houses. And all of the Social Reform in the world can't create this kind of Love. It comes from living

close to the earth, and therefore, close to God.

Francis of Assisi was known to give up all of his worthy goods, and accept only the necessities of life, which was very little in the way of material things, but, after he had been buried for hundreds of years, he still lives. Why? Why does one who had nothing, according to the Social Reformers, still draw millions of people to him, to this day? I'm not clever enough to know the answer. Perhaps you do.

Wasn't Abe Lincoln born in a house that was never finished, until he grew big enough

to put the fourth wall up, himself? Follow Abraham, as he grows older. He owned a pencil, and a shovel, or the head of an axe, on which he did his figuring. But he grew to know all men as brothers, and couldn't rest until he had raised up the black men, to a level where they could, at least call themselves men. Lincoln lives today. In an edict handed down, by the Supreme Court of the United States, only a few days ago, the job that he started, has been finished. Because decent men know that they can't rest until this job has been seen through to a finish. Yes: the man who was born in a three sided house has shown them the way. And the Social Reformers hated this man. They hated him, because he took

there are Mothers that just can't cope with Motherhood. They never knew real Love, themselves, and therefore, can't bestow it. But, look back into their lives, and discover if they came from "Poor" homes, or poor homes. They are not just one big "SOCIAL PROBLEM". They are individuals, and should be treated as such.

The "Case" recently brought to light in Wilmington, didn't merit any more space than it got in your Crusader. They were two unfortunate young brothers, who had a misadventure with life, and tried to run away from it. And the third mother, who tried to care for these little ones, came clumsily into the limelight, because she tried to do a good deed that she was not equipped to do. She was not hungry herself, and will never be. She has plenty, in the way of worldly goods, but does not show it. She appealed to us, as neighbors, to lend a hand with the little ones left in her care, and we advised her to get in touch with some authorities who could call their rightful parents back, to their responsibilities. She did, and paid for three sleepless nights, and frightful days, with the back of the hand of, We, the People. And it didn't stop with local notoriety. It was copied, and played on, in papers of surrounding cities and towns.

But, this big-hearted benevolent woman wishes to thank your paper for telling the truth, and your paper has a new subscriber in our neighborhood. She is the lady who tried to stretch a very small roof over the heads of four unwanted children, and found that it just didn't stretch that far. But, her heart stretches out, in forgiveness, to those who have heard and misjudged her. For, somewhere, out of the chaos of living, she has heard a voice that says, "To err is human, to forgive, Divine".

Most Sincerely,

Bea McCormack

(Publisher's Note:) Dear Bea, I think that your article is tops. It was written with love in your heart for all humanity. You love your neighbor as God wants us to and if all of us would do likewise and be honest and sincere, Wilmington & the world would be that much happier.

Call These Numbers Of Local Residents To Get News Into The Crusader

A staff of news writers are always on hand to answer your phone calls. In order to get an item into the paper you can call our Lowell office without any charge and give the item to us.

If you want to talk to a Wilmington correspondent you can call Mrs. Betty Downs at 8-2907.

You can also call another local resident Mrs. Beatrice McCormack OL 8-2735 after 4 p.m. and she will take your item.

Clubs, organizations and anyone wishing to insert a long article and not wanting to call it in by phone, can send it to our Lowell office, The Wilmington Crusader, c/o The Billerica Publishing Co., 95 Bridge Street, Lowell, Mass., or just drop it into the post office c/o The Crusader, Wilmington, Mass.

We have a feature writer, Mrs. Barbara Smith, at OL 8-3240 who handles research and anyone desiring a feature article can contact her and we know that Barbara will gladly cooperate.

A third writer added to the staff is Mrs. Esther Moore, Morse Ave., who will cover the North Wilmington area. Her phone is OLiver 8-3820.

With all these aids, we plan to give to the people of Wilmington a full coverage of news.

Just call any of the above or our Lowell office and willing help will be waiting to serve you.



Bea McCormack

their Slaves away from them. He dared to intrude on their way of life. This man from nowhere, who had nothing. I wonder . . .

And, to come a little forward in History, have you ever sensed a silver spoon in anything about Mr. Eisenhower? Have you had any insight into the little boyhood of this great man? The house in which he was born didn't look much better than the domicile pictured on the front page of your last week's paper, and he used to get up in the early morning, and fry up cold slices of corn meal, in deep bacon fat, for his four brothers. He seems to have weathered it fairly well. At least, that is why I voted for him. He is my kind of a kid. He speaks my language, in a way. He lives close to the earth.

And, speaking of living close to the earth, wasn't Christ born in a barn?

You will always have the people who just don't see much in dressing up, and who feel more comfortable in mismatched shoes, than the average millionaire (if there are any average millionaires) feels, relaxed in the back seat of his limousine.

Boss, leave these kind of people alone: they are the salt of the earth. And don't think that I have missed the point, entirely. I know that

D. A. V. NEWS

Regular Meeting

The next regular meeting of the D.A.V. Aux. No. 106 will be held on Thursday evening, Dec. 8, at 8 at the clubhouse, 60 Grove Ave. The Members' Christmas Party will take place immediately following the meeting. Everyone is looking forward to a grand time and all members are asked to attend. Bring a 50c gift, wrapped for Christmas exchange.

Children's Christmas Party

The Annual Christmas Party for the children of the Disabled American Veterans and its Auxiliary, will be held on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 2:30 p.m. at the clubhouse, 60 Grove Ave. The age limit will be 12 years. Members are

asked to sign card for ticket requests as soon as possible and return to Committee. Santa Claus and his helpers will be on hand to greet all the children and will pass out gifts, candy and ice cream to the small fry.

Typical American names found in Antarctica include Mobiloll Bay, Wallgreen Coast, Edsel Ford Range, Rockefeller Mountains, Wrigley Gulf, Beaumont Bay, Cape Washington, and of course, Little America.

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ROBERT E. GORMAN IN ARMY MANEUVERS

Fort Polk, La. — Army Sgt. Robert E. Gorman, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gorman, 103 Aldrich Rd., Wilmington, is participating in

the largest joint Army-Air Force maneuver since World War II, Exercise Sage Brush, in Louisiana.

Some 110,000 Army troops are testing the latest concepts of atomic, bacteriological, chemical and electronic warfare.

Sergeant Gorman's unit, Headquarters and Service Company of the 1st Armored Division's 4th Tank Battalion, will be regularly stationed at Fort Polk, La., after the maneuver ends Dec. 15.

Gorman entered the Army in September 1952 and was last stationed in Korea.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,
Please discontinue sending me the Crusader, for I am home now, discharged.
I wish to thank everyone who made it possible for me to receive the Crusader.
Thank You
Yours truly
Al/c George L. Gagnon

CHARLES F. EMMONS PROMOTED IN NAVY

Washington, D.C. (FHTNC) — The Bureau of Naval Personnel authorized the advancement November 16 of Charles F. Emmons, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis C. Emmons of 6 Glendale circle, Wilmington, to fire control technician second class, USN, while serving aboard the light cruiser USS Worcester with the Atlantic Fleet. The advancement was the result of world-wide examinations conducted in August.

ARMY AVIATION



Entirely distinct from the Air Force of the National Military Establishment is the United States Army's aircraft career field. This field chiefly involves light airplanes and helicopters, serving varied purposes. More prestige and status than ever go now to the enlisted specialists maintaining the Army's light fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters. This field offers an interesting career with ample opportunities for advancement. Although designed to meet special needs of the United States Army, the jobs in this field are easily convertible to comparable activities in civilian industry.

Do You Have Any . . . SKATES — CANES — CRUTCHES

George Spanos, Wilmington's unofficial mayor, has a request to make. George wants to know if the people will help him out again this year in his drive for canes, crutches and also skates. So, if your children and grown-ups have outgrown your ice skates, George knows many youngsters who would be very happy to receive those skates so that they too can glide on the ice.

If you have any of the above items, you can leave them at George's restaurant on Main St., Wilmington.

- CHURCHES -

The following is a Church Calendar, for all Faiths, that they might select the church of their particular liking, and be educated as to the correct time of Sunday Services.

At the Methodist Church: with Rev. Richard Harding officiating: Services at 9:15 a.m., Church St., Rte. 62 Sunday School for all preschool children, down stairs. Sunday School for inter mediates, (7th Gr. and up) 9:15 at Masonic Hall. Services at 11 a.m. Sunday School for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades, in the downstairs Church. Sunday School for 4th, 5th, and 6th grades, at the Masonic Hall.

Congregational Church. Rev. Stanley Cummings officiating: Services at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School at 9:30 in the downstairs church. Kinderkirk at 11:00 in the downstairs church.

Catholic Churches St. Dorothy's Parish, Silver Lake Betterment: Mass: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School following 8:45 Mass, for all children, not taking religious training. Mass: 10:45 a.m.

St. Mary's Chapel: Vernon St., Tewksbury (South). Masses: 7:00, 8:30, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday School, directly after the 8:30 mass, for all children not taking religious training.

St. Thomas' Parish, Church St., Rte. 62. Masses: 7:00, 8:15, 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30. Sunday School, Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock, grades 2 thru 6.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Benjamin J. Etsell and Winifred M. Etsell, husband and wife, as tenants by the entirety, both of Wilmington, to Stoneham Savings Bank, dated January 13, 1954, and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 1245, Page 261, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11 o'clock A.M. on the 16th day of December, A.D. 1955, on the premises described in said mortgage, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage. To wit:

"A certain parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated on Columbia Street in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and being shown as Lots 76, 77 and 78 on a Plan of Wilmington Square Park, dated December 1910 recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 28, Plan 85, said premises being further bounded and described as follows:

NORTHWESTERLY by Lot 75, as shown on said Plan, 100 feet;
NORTHEASTERLY by Lots 98 and 82, as shown on said Plan, 75 feet;
SOUTHEASTERLY by Lot 79, as shown on said Plan, 100 feet; and
SOUTHWESTERLY by Columbia Street, 75 feet; containing, according to said Plan, 7500 square feet of land, more or less.

Including all furnaces, heaters, ranges, gas, oil and electric burners, screens, storm doors, window shades, storm windows and storm doors, electric, gas and other mechanical refrigerators and all other fixtures of whatever kind and nature now or hereafter installed in the buildings on the premises, agreeing that such fixtures are to be considered as annexed to and forming part of the real estate, so far as this may legally be done by agreement of the parties, subject, however, to the paramount rights, if any, of conditional vendors."

Said premises are to be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, water liens and any and all municipal liens which have precedence over this mortgage, if any there be.

Terms of Sale: Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars cash at the time of the sale, the balance in ten (10) days upon delivery of the deed. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

STONEHAM SAVINGS BANK
Present holder of said mortgage by A. Raymond Waterhouse, Treasurer.
November 17, 1955
Attorney for the Mortgagee: Frederick P. Hanford Esq. 393 Main Street Stoneham, Massachusetts N-23-30-D-7

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Middlesex, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the petition hereinafter described.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Alfred Edward Schloss and Vera Mary Schloss, his wife, and Stephen Scott Schloss, Alfred Keith Schloss and Robert Edward Schloss, minors, by Alfred Edward Schloss their father and next friend, of Wilmington in said County, praying that their names may be changed as follows:

Alfred Edward Schloss to Alfred Edward Sloss.

Vera Mary Schloss to Vera Mary Sloss.

Stephen Scott Schloss to Stephen Scott Sloss.

Alfred Keith Schloss to Alfred Keith Sloss.

Robert Edward Schloss to Robert Edward Sloss.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixteenth day of December 1955, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five.

John J. Foley, Register. N-30-D-7-14

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Middlesex, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Augustus Deane late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said deceased.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifteenth day of December 1955, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifteenth day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five.

John J. Foley, Register. N-23-30-D-7

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Middlesex, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Charles H. Rice late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

The executor of the will of said deceased has presented to said Court for allowance his first account.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the ninth day of December 1955, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five.

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LET HIM SPEAK

At a town meeting that we attended recently, we saw a silver haired old gentleman stand, and try to make a plea, that a certain motion be passed, to amend the Town Zoning Laws. We like that old Gentleman: we like him, because of the work that he has done to alleviate the suffering of the less fortunate in the town. Count the bottles of milk that he has distributed, without pay, in this town, and you will find that they are legion. And, off the record, there are more than a few local men that he has employed, from time to time, when jobs were not plentiful, just to help them along to something better. There are many things about this gentleman that we, in this town admire. He has, for years, kept a convalescent home, wherein he has housed the sick, and infirm, and guarded their secret fears, and watched over their heart-sick nights, with never an inkling on the outside, of what he heard or saw.

He, in short, is too much of a gentleman to put up a very stiff fight for anything, but what he feels in his heart is right. Even though his motion was defeated, we don't want that man to feel that he has failed. Your writer has no notes from which to copy the good deeds that have been accomplished by Mr. Daly. They are things that are generally known, and everyone at that meeting knew of him, and his life, as it passed, and is drawing to a close. We have heard, from the lips of others, that he should have been heard more than he was given a chance to. This made us gape, a little, as we thought that no one but ourselves had noticed that he should have been given permission to speak. What happened was conspicuous at the time that he spoke. We are not politically minded, and do not know whether his motion was for the good, or bad for the future of Wilmington, but we do know that when we do not have any more such gentlemen left in Wilmington, it will be a sad place, indeed in which to live.

WATCHING THOSE IN POWER

It frequently occurs that members of a community promote the influence of a governing power, without intending it.

In the past few years, democracy as such, has ex-

perienced many eras of recession, innovation, and experiment. During these periods multitudes of men have engaged in novel undertakings which they pursued alone, oblivious to their fellowmen. While in principle, they felt that public authority ought not to extend beyond certain restricted limits, they found no time to take a constructive interest in such matters.

In the meantime, others attempted to draw upon the influence of the laws for their own benefit. The great numbers of these peoples usually loosened the shackles on their own objectives by ingratiating themselves to those in power.

Thus the sphere of the central power extended insensibly in all directions. Although each citizen now wished to circumscribe it, he now found his rights being devoured by an octopus of his own creation. And yet the blame cannot rightfully be placed upon the unfortunate octopus. He is merely a victim of the system which the people themselves have fostered. The true source of the trouble finds its beginnings in the general disinterest of the American citizen. Because he sat back, content to let others rule and make his decisions for him, he suddenly found his democratic rights taken away from him. And why? Because above this democracy looms an immense power, which takes upon itself to secure and gratify those whose fates over which they stand guard. That power is absolute, watenful, kindly and mild. It could in some respects be compared to the authority of a parent, if like that authority, its object was to prepare men for manhood; but it strives on the contrary to keep them in perpetual childhood. Such a form of government rejoices in keeping the people happy, provided they be the last and final word on what constitutes happiness. It provides security, necessities, and pleasures, manages man's principal concerns, directs his industry, and regulates his property — what remains, but to spare him the burden of thinking and the chore of existing?

These powerful governmental forces claim to be operating in the interests of progress. But progress itself can also bring about enslavement and pauperization.

Enslavement because he who allows the world, or his own small section of it, to choose his path of righteousness, needs no other faculty than the ape-like one of imitation. For human nature is not a machine, patterned after a model, but rather like a tree which necessarily must grow and develop itself from all sides according to the inward forces which give it life.

And pauperization because in every society where men possess property there is a constant struggle on the part of the so-called well-educated and well-heeled members of that society to augment their wealth and influence at the expense of the poor or less educated class. This is especially true when a small fearless group speaks out against the forementioned power. They are immediately ridiculed and branded as uneducated and low class. One has merely to study the history of the men who drew up the basis for our present democracy to see the fallacy in this attack.

In politics, opposite factions of order and reform are necessities to a healthy government. To try to do away with conflicting opinion is to deprive the people of elements which should obtain due respect. Truth is very often a combining and reconciling of opposites. Therefore, truth would lose something by the silence of those who conflict with the unanimity of opinion. Disagreement is merely conclusive proof that man can neither bear to be cut off from his roots in the past, nor have his highest beliefs confined within the shackles of yesterday.

A system of government which dwarfs its people in order that they may be more docile instruments in its hands even for beneficial purposes — will find that with small men no great thing can really be accomplished; and that the perfection of machinery to which it has sacrificed everything, will in the end avail it nothing for want of the vital power which, in order that the machine might work more smoothly, it has preferred to banish.

AUTO FIRE

At 5:50 P.M. on Friday, Dec. 2, the fire dept. was called to extinguish a blaze in an automobile owned and operated by Roland Fuller of Wakefield. Mr. Fuller's vehicle caught fire at the corner of Lowell and Parker Sts. A short circuit was blamed for the blaze and some damage was done to the motor.

PAUL MACMULLIN ON THE MEND

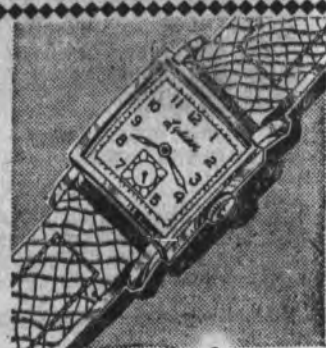
Paul MacMullin, 18, of Forest Ave., was taken to the Winchester Hospital in the fire dept. ambulance at 5:00 A.M. on Sunday Dec. 4. We were happy to hear upon checking further that Paul is coming along nicely.

Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, foremost of the living explorers, was first to fly over both the North and South Poles.

A British explorer, Captain James Cook, was first to sight the ice mass surrounding Antarctica, during a circumnavigating trip in 1770.

FIND STOLEN GOODS

On Wednesday, Nov. 30, Wilmington Police Dept. received word that some of the lead ingots stolen recently from the Bay State Steel Co. had been found. Small boys found the loot hidden in the woods behind the factory itself. Officer Fuller investigated the incident.



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by Neal Durgin

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Stepping out of his car he lifted a mike from beneath the dash, and began his message, seeking aid from any fellow ham who might be listening. It was 3 a.m. and not much hope of an answer, when suddenly he got a reply from thousands of miles away — Hawaii — where it was a far cry from the early morning hours.

The Hawaiian operator relayed the message to a "ham" in England, who, in turn, sent the S.O.S. to a New York operator keeping late hours. The New Yorker contacted an alert "ham" just a few miles away from the scene of the disabled car. Within 20 minutes after the distressed "ham" had started his plea, he had accomplished what would have taken hours if he

had to walk back to the nearest gas station and rouse the owner.

This is typical service that hams all over the world, 120,000 of them, gracefully extend to anybody, whether they're hams or not. In Billerica there's 13 hams listed who will gladly give assistance to anyone who needs their operating facilities.

Since the ham radio equipment is so costly — there's about \$8000 worth in Billerica — it would appear as if a

favor done by a ham for a resident might be costly. That is not so! It doesn't cost a cent! Anybody in the country can demand that a ham send a message, free of charge, to any spot in the United States. And swallow this! If your message is to a serviceman it can be sent to any serviceman in the world, no matter where he is!

Of course there's one exception. The U.S. government does not allow hams to send messages to Iron Curtain countries. Also, a ham can't send a message unless he's talking to someone in particular. This ruling is distinguished from the famous Voice of America, which broadcasts to anyone who is willing and able to listen.

The Billerica hams spend

many hours during their spare time talking to hams in nearby towns, and sometimes are able to converse with hams in other parts of the country and the world. Of the 13 local hams only one has a college education, but many of them are trained technicians.

Holder of a B.S. in electrical engineering is Charles Morriane, Jr. of Bridle Rd. He works as an electronics engineer. Another ham is George Lingle, Airman 1st class, who does radio work for the Air Force. He resides at Billerica Gardens.

Walt Traversy, Sheldon St., North Billerica, is a truck driver, but he knows his business when it comes to operating a set. Leo Flood, Gray St., East Billerica, is a tool and die maker, who spends many evening hours at the mike. Carmeir Ferrare, Shawshen Rd., is an electronic technician, as is Dick Gentz, Patton Rd., who works for the National Guard.

Another electronics technician is Millard Christle, Treble Cove Rd. The list includes a filling station manager, Leslie Porter, Hillcrest St. Leslie is also the president of the Bedford Radio Club, to which many of the Billerica hams belong.

Al Wilder, Hillside Ave., is employed as an electronics technician for the Cambridge Research Center, while Carl Duarte of Lenox St., Nuttings Lake, is an electrical engineer. Arthur Bristol, School Lane, and Charlie MacInnis, Park Ave., are also electronic technicians.

Another truck driver doubling as a ham is Norman Reekie, Sr., who has two sons who are hams. They are Norman, Jr. and Raymond of Chestnut St. Raymond is still in attendance at Memorial High School.

In addition to their home sets, many of the Billerica hams have mobile units located in their cars. This could be a vital part in Civil Defense, if CD officials desired to take advantage of the availability of the equipment. This point is more than well taken when it is revealed that hams operate on a different frequency from fire departments and police stations, thus causing no tie-up in broadcasting emergencies.

Five of the hams thus far have mobile units in their cars, but several more are planning to install them in the near future. In case of a power failure a ham can be an important cog in the machinery with his mobile unit, since he will then be an all-important link to all services, police, fire, medical etc.

Getting a ham license is no easy matter as any Billerica operator will attest. There's no fee, but after one year with a "novice" license, a test must be taken before you become an official "ham". This license is a "general" type.

It would be impossible to list all of the famous people who are "hams", but two that we know of are Amos, of Amos and Andy, and Tex Bencke, the fabulous band leader.

The praise that could be heaped on ham operators all over the country for their endless aid in dire emergencies would fill the thickest of books, but it can all be summed up in a simple notation. It's on the ham license. It reads, in essence, that the license is issued only if the service will satisfy the "public interest, necessity, and convenience". Few have failed to live up to the code.

LORRAINE RICHARDS BACK AT SCHOOL

Friends of Lorraine Richards are glad to see her back at school, after a short absence, and a trip to the hospital. Lorraine is a Senior at the High School, and is active among the student body. But she is most active, right now, in making up back homework.

FRED FISSETTE BACK TO SCHOOL

The Senior Class of the High School are happy to receive Fred Fissette back to the fold, after an appendectomy. Everything came out beautifully, we hear, and he, too, will be relegated to burning the midnight oil, to catch up on those studies. Good luck, Fred.

DAVID CROCKETT

David Crockett, of Reading, who recently lost his beloved wife, to polio, and who has three charming little children, would like to find a good housekeeper, someone who would love his three little ones, and keep house for them, or else, he will have to separate them, and put them out to board. We happened to hear this, not as an "AD", but from a sympathetic neighbor, and we think it a worthy thing to look into. Please call in the evening, and one could get the number from information. You would have to live with the family, and the pay is somewhat above the average, we think.

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HARRY E. THOMASON, his wife and five children gather in the bomb shelter he built for \$350 in his spare time at his home at District Heights, Md., eight miles from downtown Washington. Top of shelter doubles as front porch. Mrs. Thomason is shown (inset) emerging from the escape hatch, which would be filled with sand during an attack to keep out radioactive dust. The shelter includes a tunnel entrance to basement, an electric or battery-operated air blower, running water, a fire extinguisher, plenty of food and basic tools. (Washington Star Photos)

EARLY SKATING?

Wilfred Andrews of Woburn St., life-long resident of Wilmington told us that on Wednesday of last week he observed people skating in Barrows' field. Mr. Andrews stated that this is the first time, to his knowledge that there has been any skating in Wilmington before Thanksgiving for many years. Could this be a sign that a long winter is ahead?

NO BODY FOUND

A good deal of commotion was caused in South Wilmington recently by a phone call made to police by a Boston and Maine engineer who stated that he had seen a man's body beside the railroad tracks near the North Woburn line.

Chief Lynch reported that an intensive three hour search of the area by Woburn and Wilmington police revealed nothing.

COLLEGE PRANK

Two Harvard students, Paul Murray and Robert Knight were abducted by their classmates, dressed in old clothes and left by the roadside at 1:45 A.M. near J. W. Greens on Main St., in Wilmington, tied hand and foot. Officers Ellsworth and Cuoco served coffee to the boys and obtained a ride for them back to Boston.

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Charles Morriane, Jr., Bridle Rd., is shown as he corresponds with another ham in Carlisle. Note the "call" letters WITFD on Charlie's equipment, which, by the way, costs somewhere in the neighborhood of \$800. The gadget at the top of the transmitter is a clock, showing it's 1742, or 5:42 p.m. Charlie is the only college graduate among the 13 Billerica hams, and he's also a professional photographer, as evidenced by the self-portrait, and holds a pilot's license.

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PITTSBURG — (Special) — Management, labor and government, all working together right down to the man at the machine, can help solve many of the pressing health problems still facing industry and the industrial worker, says A. R. Fisher, President of Johns-Manville Corporation.

Speaking before the 20th annual meeting of the Industrial Hygiene Foundation at the Mellon Institute, Mr. Fisher said that truly significant progress has been made in industrial health in the past fifty years but that some of the remaining problems are too big and too complex for any one company to finance and study.

"We must solve the tragic riddles of cancer, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy and alcoholism. The common cold still exacts an astrono-

mical toll of absenteeism in industry. We have much to learn about mental health and rehabilitation.

"And, in a nerve-racked world, industry must redouble its efforts to further improve working conditions through noise abatement, the use of appropriate color schemes and other devices to promote the well-being of the industrial employee."

Mr. Fisher pointed out that industry was interested in the health of its employees, both on and off the job, from the day of their employment to retirement, a significant "measure of the span of life" of most people.

To promote the well-being of the individuals in its employ, industry utilizes carefully planned programs which employ the services of government and state health agencies as well as those of privately supported groups interested in public health

problems, he said.

"This is a typical American way of doing things," Mr. Fisher said. "In this way we retain our freedom and initiative."

"We need only to refer to a few statistics to realize how the nation's health has improved through the combined efforts of government, industry and private groups."

"In 1909, the life expectancy of the industrial population was 46 years. For the general population it was 52 years. In 1954, the life expectancy of the industrial population was nearly 70 years or an increase of 24 years. And for the general population, the life expectancy was also 70 years in 1954, an increase of only 18 years."

"These are truly significant figures. They show that the life expectancy of the general population has increased about a third during the last 45 years while the life expectancy of the industrial population has increased more than a half in this period."

"These advances have been due to a considerable extent to the amazing achievements of Modern scientists."

"The figures also show the important part played by industry in improving the health of the nation. It has done so because industry today is directed by enlightened professional managers who realize their obligations and responsibilities to their employees, customers, stockholders and the public."

In early years, industrial health programs were essen-

tially defensive ones, confined largely to treating injuries and diseases. Today, Mr. Fisher pointed out, the programs are positive, directed at preventing disease and maintaining good health.

"In its sincere concern for employees, industry has truly covered the field," Mr. Fisher said. "Its entire resources have been mobilized to this end. The talents of engineers, doctors, scientists, chemists and personnel men have all been enlisted in the cause."

"Through the efforts of industry occupational diseases, accidents and other causes of absenteeism have been reduced amazingly."

"It has been said that each year about a half a million man days are lost to industry, but of these, only 10 percent are due to occupational causes."

"The problem of industry, therefore, is not only to try to reduce occupational absenteeism, but to work with other health organizations in our economy to reduce the non-occupational causes of absenteeism."

"We in industry realize that as good citizens it is part of our obligation to society to help improve the health of the nation as well as the community. Obviously, it is also good business, for healthier employees mean less absenteeism and more productivity."

Mr. Fisher pointed to the industrial health program of his own company, Johns-Manville, as typical of American industry.

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"All of these features of Johns-Manville's program are based on keeping the employee in good mental and

physical health. They enable him to be more useful to himself, his family, his company and his community."

Mr. Fisher also emphasized industry's concern with its health responsibilities to the consuming public with "every effort made to protect the consumer with safer products and better methods of handling them."

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Progress is being made in the fight against tuberculosis, and the Christmas Seal is playing a vital role in that progress. Therefore, the National Tuberculosis Association, which encourages its affiliated associations to participate with other agencies in planning programs for the welfare of the community, takes the position that the annual Christmas Seal Sale must remain independent of all other fund-raising campaigns. The Board of Directors of the National Tuberculosis Association, which is made up of men and women from every state in the union as well as Alaska, Hawaii and



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Puerto Rico, has gone on record favoring independent fund raising. The Board members are from the large industrial cities and the small agricultural areas, and in taking this stand they reflect the thinking of many interests.

The methods employed in the Christmas Seal Sale have the qualities of both expediency and efficacy which bring into sharp focus facts about tuberculosis. The seal Sale thus not only serves as a vital

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CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

The North Branch Christmas party will be held at the home of Mrs. Maude Richardson on Thursday at noon, with Mrs. Theo Kidder as co-hostess.

Junior High basketball Fri-

day at 7 p.m.

The Fireside Fellowship will meet at the home of Freda Shepherd on Saturday afternoon to gather Christmas greens.

The program for Sunday morning will be the same as usual, but the Junior Choir will rehearse at 2 p.m. instead of 3 p.m.

Annual Church School Christmas party on Sunday at 3 p.m., starting with a White Gifts service in the sanctuary and continuing with project work in the various departments, refreshments, and Santa Claus.

The entire group will go outdoors at 5 p.m. to witness the dedication of the new floodlighting system, provided by the Couples Club, when the lights will be turned on for the first time.

Older young people will meet in the church parlor at 5:30 p.m. to reactivate the Quaintance Club.

The U.C.Y.M. will meet in the Methodist Church Sunday at 7 p.m.

The East Branch will meet at the home of Eleanor Green on Woburn St. on Monday at 8:00 p.m.

Girl Scout meeting Tuesday at 3 p.m.

The Center Branch will hold a luncheon meeting next Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the home of the Captain, Mrs. Gladys Swenson. Members will exchange simple gifts and bring a toy for children at Waltham.

Boy Scout Meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Early in this current year, the Congregational Couples Club decided to make its one big project of the year the decoration of the church at Christmas time. Under the vigorous leadership of its president, Donald Kidder, money has been raised in various ways, and the major part of it has been spent in the installation of an outdoor floodlighting system. The fixtures have been so placed as to illumine not only the front of the building but also, to some extent, the sides.

The people of the community are invited to come to the front of the church on Middlesex Ave. next Sunday afternoon at 5 p.m., where they will be pointed by the large group from inside the church, coming out from the annual Church School Christmas party. The minister of the church, Rev. Stanley Cummings, will briefly accept the gift from the Couples Club, on behalf of the church, and the lighting system will be turned on for the first time.

People who have already seen the lights tried out predict that the sight of the white church in floodlight will attract considerable attention from motorists passing through Wilmington on Route 62.

The church itself will add to the outdoor project as soon as the necessary materials can be obtained. A modern bulletin board, electrically illumined from the interior, has been ordered, and it will be set up on the lawn near the street when the weather permits its installation in the Spring.

TWO FIRE CALLS

On Dec. 1, the fire dept. was called out twice. At 4:00 P.M. to fight a small brush fire on the roadside on Salem St., and at 6:25 P.M. to inspect a "hot spot" in the dump on Salem St.

SHED FIRE

A small tool shed on the property of Charles Ware of Middlesex Ave., was the scene of some little excitement at 3:30 P.M. on Nov. 30. The shed caught fire as rubbish was being burned in an outdoor fire place nearby. Only minor damage was reported by the fire dept.

BRUSH FIRE

The Wilmington Fire Dept. answered a call to the home of Mr. Hickey on Parker St., on Nov. 30 at 2:45 P.M. The small brush fire was quickly extinguished. Burning in the open was given as the cause of the blaze.

FUNERAL OF MRS. JENNIE ROSSICONE

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Nov. 30, for Mrs. Jennie Rossicone of Lloyd Rd., Wilmington. Many friends and relatives were in attendance at the services which were held from the William H. Butler and Son Funeral Home in Wakefield. Solemn High Mass of Requiem was celebrated by Rev. Daniel H. Hannigan at St. Joseph's Church.

Mrs. Rossicone, who had been living in Wilmington for the past several years, passed away Sunday night at the Melrose Hospital after a long illness. She is survived by her husband Joseph, three daughters, Mrs. Harry Lanzillo and Mrs. Michael C. Della Ruzzo, both of Wakefield, Mrs. Carmello Pirrello of Medford and a son, Walter Rossicone of Greenwood.

Interment was in the family lot in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

IT'S A SON

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Aruda of 887 Main St., Wilmington wish to announce the arrival of a son, Harry Oliver, born at Choate Memorial Hospital on Nov. 23. The Aruda's have two other children, Joan and Wayne.

LYNN BILLINGS GOES BACK TO SCHOOL

Lynn Billings, eight year old third grade student at the Wildwood School, returned to his studies on Monday after being confined to his home for the past week. Lynn suffered a brain concussion as the result of a bad fall. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Weyman Billings of Strout Ave.

SISTER OF LOCAL RESIDENT PASSES AWAY

Sympathy is being extended to Mrs. Clara Linde of Woburn St., on the death of her sister, Martha Skow of Cambridge. Mrs. Skow passed away on Saturday, Nov. 26, after a long illness.

ROBERT BOYD ON NAVY LEAVE

Robert N. Boyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alden Boyd of Concord St., is home on leave from Naval Training School in Bainbridge, Md. He will spend two weeks with his family and will leave on Dec. 13 for Naval Air School in Hutchinson, Kansas, where he will further his training.

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On Wednesday evening, (tonight), there will be a novelty party, followed by refreshments, given at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Sawyer, of Taplan Ave. Mrs. Agnes White, of Grove Ave. will assist. On Thursday evening, Mrs. Leo Harrington, chairwoman of the drive for Retarded Children in Wilmington, will hold a house party, at her home. One may call her at OL 8-3414 to get particulars, and if there is a dollar or so, that you might want to mark up as "Charity" on your income tax returns, it couldn't be given in a finer interest.

FOOTBALL BANQUET

Mrs. Helen Casey, of Main St., and Mrs. "Vi" Melzar, of Lake St., are hard at work, in the interest of the football banquet, which is to be held, this year, on Dec. 17, at the high school cafeteria. The affair will be catered by our own high school staff, led by the capable Mrs. DeLisle, and her workers. Tickets will be

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There will be a variety "Rock and Roll" as well as the more modified type of music, and everyone should have an enjoyable evening.

JOANNE SANBORN ENGAGED

Joanne Sanborn is receiving the good wishes of her many friends at the high school on noticing that lovely diamond on her engagement finger. She plans her Nuptials for the early Spring: April, we think. Our Blessings, Honey!!

BABY SHOWER TO DOLLY CHERNOFF

Mrs. Doly, (Bud) Chernoff was completely overwhelmed by a Baby shower, given her, on Monday, the 14th, by a few of her many friends, at the home of Mrs. Roy Hersom, Burlington Ave. There was everything that one could think of, for a baby, and especially, a lovely Bathinette, given by a group of Mrs. Hersom's friends.

The house was lavishly decorated, with both blue and pink motif, and choice little refreshments were brought in, which were appropriate for the occasion.

Mrs. Chernoff, wife of the local optometrist, has endeared herself to most of the town, since settling here a short while ago. She has been active in Girl Scouts, and Little League, giving of her time generously, whenever called upon. Dr. MacDougall is her attending physician, and she expects a Christmas season baby.

ANDREW PUPA IN HOSPITAL

Our kindest wishes, and hopes for a speedy recovery, go out to Andrew Pupa, a senior in Wilmington High, and a member of the Football squad, who is presently in a hospital, putting up a major fight against Lukemia. This student stood out as the star of the team, and he is greatly missed, and respectfully remembered by his classmates.

THE FOOTBALL DANCE

The football dance this year will stand out as an achievement, not to be approached by teams of another year within our memory. Even though it took place on the Saturday before Thanksgiving, a week-end crowded with many another activity, the boys put it over, to the tune of \$125.00 clear profit. The average citizen might have met a young fellow almost anywhere in Wilmington, during the previous week, selling tickets in behalf of this event. One young fellow, "Butchie" Barrett, brought in \$40.00 from his sales. He was tops.

ST. DOROTHY'S NEWS

St. Dorothy's Sunday School is now being held on Saturday mornings at 9:30 at St. Mary's Chapel. Attendance has not been as good as was expected and it is hoped that in the future it will improve.

PETER FARRELL RETURNS HOME

Peter Farrell, six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrell of 794 Woburn St., returned Tuesday from the Melrose Hospital where he had undergone a tonsillectomy.

ST. DOROTHY'S BOWLING LEAGUE

Members of St. Dorothy's Holy Name Bowling League bowl every Monday evening at Stoneham Alleys. The league standings for the week of December 5 are as follows: The Lakers took three points from the Red Wings. The Forty-Niners took four points from the Yo-Yos and the Blue Birds took three points from the Just For Fun. Red Wings won 24, lost 18, Blue Birds and Lakers are tied for second place, each having won 21 and lost 15. Forty-niners won 20, lost 16. Just For Fun won 13, lost 23 and the Yo-Yos are on the bottom having won 9 and lost 27. High averages are as follows: Cunningham 93.6, J. Fleming Jr. 91.5, Stevens 90.7, Beatrice 90.6, Boylen 90.1, Sullivan 89.8, Desharnais 89.8, Meade 88.4, Fernan 88.3, Flemming 88.3. High single, Magro 138, high triple, Desharnais 320. High team single Red Wings 481, high team triple, Yo-Yos 1329.

PACK 57 NEWS

Pack 57, on Dec. 2 at the Swain School, held its second pack meeting. Cub-Master Earle Camber assisted by Pack Com. Chairman Bill Crane inducted into the pack: Sid Kaizer as assistant Cub-Master, Mrs. Irene Silverman, Mrs. Dotty Mills, Mrs. Rosalie White, and Mrs. Barbara Fielding as den mothers.

The following boys all received their Bob-cat pins:

Richard Denault, Albert Mills, Paul Fielding, David Burke, William Gordon, Stephen Pearl, Allan Hubbard, Eliot Drew, Richard Wilson, Paul Bannister, Arthur Burton Jr., Charles Bickford, Billy Gauvin, Robert Simmons, Thomas Johnson, Paul White, Ralph Polioian, Paul Hagman, Ralph Garland, Kenneth Butler, Larry Lacey.

After the induction a game hour was enjoyed, with movies, volley ball and basketball.

BETSY FLIGHT ELECTED PRESIDENT

The meeting of the Pots and Pans 4-H Club was held Nov. 28, at the home of leader, Barbara Nimes. The following were elected officers:

President, Betsy Flight; Vice President, Sheila Harrington; Treasurer, Cathy Bousfield; Secretary, Ann MacDougall; News Reporter, Ann Marie Colbert; The girls made blueberry muffins. The next meeting will be Dec. 12.

"THE BIBLE SPEAKS TO OUR DAY" THE SERMON AT WILMINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

On Sunday, December 11, at 9:15 and 11 a.m. The Rev. Richard E. Harding will preach on the subject, "The Bible Speaks To Our Day". The theme of his sermon is in keeping with the date of Universal Bible Sunday which is being observed on this date. Church bulletins prepared especially for this service by the American Bible Society will be used, and hymns in keeping with the subject of the morning and the Christmas season will be sung by the congregation.

Plans have been made to have one worship service on Christmas Sunday morning. The time announced was 10:30 a.m. The Senior Choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Wilbur Staveley, will sing selections from Handel's Messiah, Miss Yolandi Moe, soloist will sing, and the Junior Choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Robert Clark, will share in this worship service.

Children and young people of the church school will extend a special invitation to their parents inviting them to worship as a family on Christmas Sunday. A nursery class will be provided for small children during the service.

IT'S A SON

A son, their first child was born on Nov. 13 to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fish of Glen Road, at the Winchester Hospital. Grandparents honors are shared by Mrs. Emma Fish and the late Howard Fish, and James McManus and the late Mrs. McManus.

Santa Commences Yearly Journey



North Pole, N. Y.—More than 10 tons of toys will be delivered to orphans and other underprivileged children in the District of Columbia, thirteen Northeastern States and three Canadian Provinces during the coming holiday season by Santa's Operation Toylift Fund. Although Santa still uses his reindeer and sleigh, he and his helpers—elfs and gnomes—resort to even faster transportation, a C46 airplane, to cover more cities in shorter time.

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Toys also will be sent by other means into New Brunswick, Delaware, Maine and Virginia.

FLORIDA VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Wadell of Gulfport, Florida are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ellis of 252 Woburn St., North Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. Wadell are the parents of Mrs. Ellis.

MOTHERS CLUB MEETS

The Whitfield Mothers Club meting was held on Nov. 28 at the Whitfield School. Plans for the Christmas party to be held at the home of Mrs. Erwin Hanke were discussed. The complete details will be announced later.

VISIT FROM NEW YORK

Mrs. Herbert Fielding, the former Julia Webber, and son Stanley of Hilton, N.Y. are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Webber of 668 Main St.

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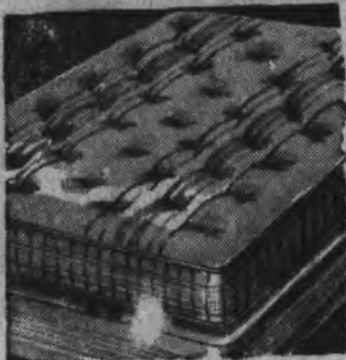
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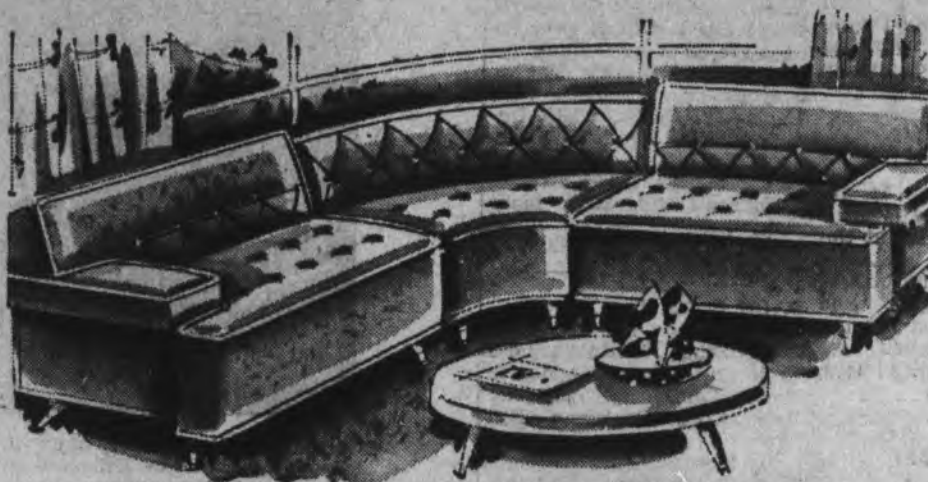


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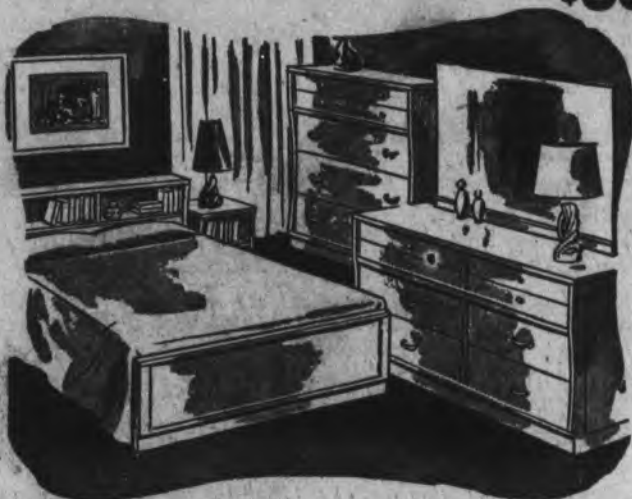


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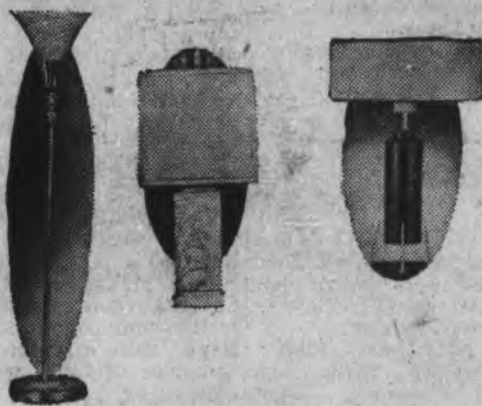


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THE LIONS CLUB MEETING
The Wilmington Lions held their meeting as usual at the East Wilmington Betterment Association Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 30. All the members were very happy to invite into the fold a new member by the name of Rod Laugh-ton.

Robert Michelson, proprietor of the Shoecraft Shop, introduced as his guest, Anthony Montiero - proprietor of the Silver Lake Delicatessen. It was very evident to every member of the Club that although Mr. Montiero is blind, he endeavors to do everything possible to prove that he can be of help to society and to himself by supervising and conducting his own business. The Club has no doubt whatsoever that Anthony Montiero will be very successful, especially since it has become known that he is a very excellent chef.

Sgt. John Imblino, Director of Juvenile Delinquency

and Traffic Control in Wilmington was also present at the meeting. He read a Proclamation from the Governor of the State in reference to SD Day all over the nation.

The main speaker of the evening was a Lion member from Tewksbury, Joseph Saunders, Administrator of the Tewksbury State Hospital. Mr. Saunders gave a very detailed presentation concerning the hospital and some of highlights as presented by him are the following:

a. Purpose of the Hospital - It is a general hospital and not one that caters to only the needy or those of poor mental health. In fact, all the new mental cases of the state are going to be treated only in Worcester. All types of people are allowed to enter regardless of age or anything else, excepting the mentally ill.

b. Number of Patients - 1700 are present now; 2200 are expected by February. Many of the patients are

working patients and they are graded to handle light, medium, or hard work. The work included laundering, grounds keeping, kitchen duties, and farming - which includes gardening and live stock and poultry tending.

c. Interesting points - The hospital is 100 years old and at one time it was an alms house. In 1860, all the buildings were rebuilt by using brick. Fourteen doctors are part of the staff. The Hospital is a small city in itself with water power, sewerage system, and its own electrical power. There are 52 buildings that make up this complete layout.

Joseph Saunders included in his remarks a Thank You to the members of the Wilmington Club for making it possible for 25 youngsters of the hospital to see Santa Claus at the Boston Airport in cooperation with Operation Toylift.

An appreciation of thanks was extended to Mr. Saunders for speaking to the Lions Club.



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The annual meeting of Chapter No. 507 of the National Asso. of Retired Civil employees will be held Dec. 9 at 2:30 p.m. in room 19, Municipal Building, Reading Square. Action will be taken on proposed amendments to the by-laws. The report of the nominating committee will be followed by the election of officers for the ensuing year. Mr. Tannynson Jefferson, retired chief postal inspector, will address the meeting. Members are requested to bring an article not exceeding 25c in cost, wrapped as a Christmas gift for mutual exchange. Refreshments and social hour will follow.



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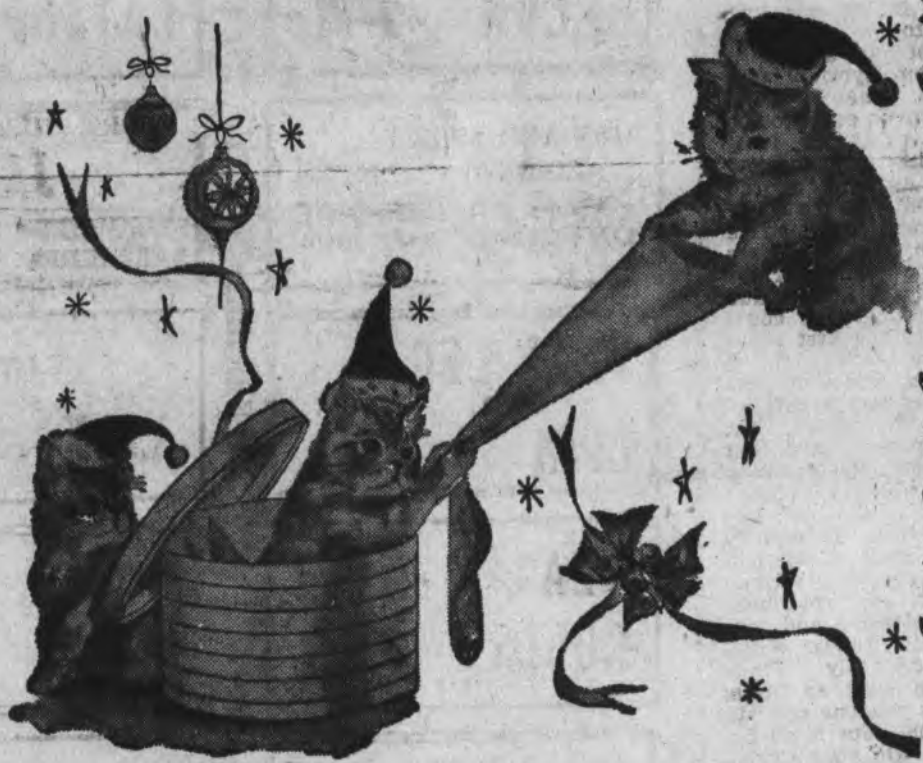
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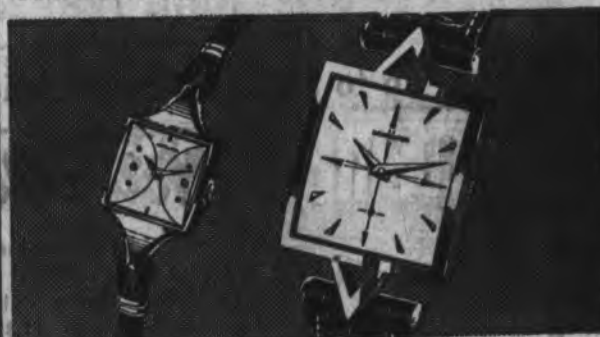
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hundred children born each year, and that in many cases the cause is an injury sustained in childhood. A great many of those afflicted however, are semi-ambulatory and thus able to accomplish many things if only given the opportunity.
Thursday evening, the members of the Board of Health, Vinal Lewis, Frank Hagarty, and Pat Thibeau met to discuss some of the problems which they have encountered in the course of their work. Mr. Hagarty also announced his candidacy for Selectman in the coming elec-

tions. If he still intends to use the platform he spoke of earlier, we suggest that he consult with the Great White Father before making his final decision.

Friday afternoon, we took ourselves down to Town Hall and conferred with the Board of Assessors, Mr. Calabrese, Mr. Doucette and Mrs. Sheldon. It would be putting it mildly to say that our investigations were unwelcome. We asked Mr. Calabrese how a firm from Portland could rightly assess the property here in Wilmington, without having had the opportunity to live in the metropolitan area for at least a few

years. Mr. Calabrese' answer was that a dollar, is still a dollar where ever you go. Probably he's is right considering the high assessment and high tax rate which Town Hall is preparing. Incidentally, we hear that the Assessors do not plan to finish their work until after elections. This should certainly pique the interest of Wilmington voters.

Friday evening the bomb fell. We might have suspected though since we were the ones who set the fuse. At any rate, the TM Joseph Courtney called the publisher of The Wilmington Crusader to object to last week's coffee break news. That is, some of the items. We do however want to believe that his motives in making the criticisms were of the highest order. However, the very factor of the call itself does give us food for troubled thought. The publisher as well as others along the line were told about the objections. In fact, the strangest people were told and they in turn told us before the publisher did. It seems that other town officials also objected and they in turn told their friends, and their friends told their friends and on it went throughout the town.

Whatever their motives might have been, this newspaper resides outside of their jurisdiction. We enjoy what is known as Freedom of the Press. And we intend to maintain that freedom. If we were to succumb to their wishes and put a stop to our writings and investigations, we would be betraying in essence every man who died in the past two decades to preserve this freedom of ours and deliver us from tyranny and oppression. When a newspaper stoops to court to the whims of politicians, it is flirting with fear and oppression. As long as the Wilmington Crusader exists we will always strive to be the eyes and ears of this community. If we ever fail in this trust due to intimidation, our country will see the first seeds of tyranny start to thrive and the last roots of freedom wither and perish.

Before we forget, Mr. George Spanos asked that we mention the wonderful time which the Lions Club gave to the homeless children at the Tewksbury Airport. Santa Claus, in all regal splendor arrived by plane to distribute boxes of clothing and toys to the little ones. Wilmington certainly needs more men such as these. God Bless you one and all. Well, that caps it all for this week. Do your Christmas shopping early and rest up for the holidays. We'll be seeing you again next week.

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Week of December 12,
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Peanut Butter Sandwiches
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Tuesday
Hamburg and Gravy
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Thursday
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